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| Serial No.: | 09/975,600 | Group Art Unit: 3635 |
| Filed: | October 11, 2001 | Examiner: Canfield |
| Title: | IMPROVED CLEAN ROOM FACILITY AND CONSTRUCTION METHOD | Confirmation No.: 9929 |

RESPONSE

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In response to the Office Communication mailed November 29, 2004, please consider the following timely-filed Amendment and Remarks.

With respect to the informalities indicated with respect to claims 3 and 18, Applicant has amended claim 18, but was unable to confirm the error mentioned by the Examiner with respect to claim 3.

Fully responsive remarks to paragraph no. 2 in the captioned November 29, 2004 Office Action are included herewith.

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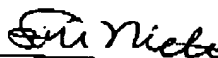
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